Moſt Creatures drink little or nothing there, as Hogs; nay, Horſes in *Guanaboa* never drink; nor Cows in ſome places of the Iſland for ſix *months*; Goats drink but once perhaps in a week. Parrots never drink, nor Parrokets; nor Civet-Cats but once a month.

The hotteſt time of the day to us, is Eight in the Morning, when there is no *Briſe*. I ſet a weather-glaſs in the window, to obſerve the weather, and I found it not to riſe conſiderably at that time, but by two of the clock it roſe two inches.

Venice-Treacle did ſo dry in a Gally-pot, as to be friable; and then it produced a Fly, called a *Weavil*, and a ſort of white-worm. So did the *Pilulæ de Tribus* produce a *Weavil*.

I ſhall conclude with an Obſervation of a ſtrange Quality of a piece of Land: There is in the midſt of the Iſland a Plain, called *Magotti Savanna*, in which whenſoever it rains (and the rain paſſes along the Iſland before it falls there) the rain, as it ſettles upon the ſeams of any garment, turns in half an hour to Magots; yet is that *plain* healthful to dwell in; and an hundred, that have ſeen the thing, aſſured me of it.

Infinite might the obſervations be, if I had alwaies enjoyed my health, for the ſpeculative Philoſophers; almoſt every thing there being new, and Nature being luxuriant in her Productions in thoſe parts: But I ſhall not trouble you with imperfect Memorials, *&c.*

So far this curious obſerver; whoſe laudable Example may both quicken and direct other Travellers in the Particulars, to be taken notice of in their Voyages.

Extract of a Letter, written by Mr. Sam. Colepreſs *to the Publiſher, containing an Account of ſome Magnetical Experiments; as alſo of an excellent Liquor made of Cyder-Apples and Mulberries.*

Preſuming, what e're tends to the farther diſcovery of the *Magnetick* vertue, will not be unwelcome to you, encouraged by a hint, given in *pag.* 423. of your *Phil. Tranſact.* I ſhall not ſcruple to relate to you two or three Experiments of mine own, performed in the preſence of Sir *William Strode*.

1. I took a Loadſtone unpoliſh'd, which attracted but meanly; and I heated a Lath-nail glowing hot, nimbly applying the North-pole of the ſaid Magnet to it, which quickly took it up, and held it ſuſpended a great while, till I put down both the Magnet and Nail.

2. I took the ſame ſtone, and caſt it into the Fire, letting it remain there, till it was thorow hot, altering its colour from black to red, and being

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being red-hot, I applied the North-pole to another Lath-nail cold, and untoucht before, which it took up but faintly, yet held it ſuſpended for ſome time,

3. Two or three daies after, I took the ſame Loadſtone, and found that it attracted then as ſtrongly, as before it was caſt into the Fire. Whence I inferr'd, that the Fire ſomewhat leſſen'd its Attractive faculty, but did not deprive the Stone of it.

Cyder-ſeaſon approaching, I know not how to conceal from the delicate and curious Cyder-drinker (though I my ſelf find the pleaſures of all liquors in one, even that of fountain water *) the notice of a liquor as commendable, as yet rare. It is a compoſition of the Juyces of good Cyder-apples and Mulberries, producing the beſt taſted and moſt curiouſly coloured liquor, that many ever ſaw or taſted. Of which the experiment may be eaſily made by thoſe that are furniſht with Mulberry-trees, without any conſiderable coſt.

* This Gentlemans conſtant drink is ſpring water.

An Account of ſome Books.

I. *The* HISTORY *of the* ROYAL SOCIETY *of* LONDON, *for the Advancement of* EXPERIMENTAL *Philoſophy, by* THO. SPRAT.

IT was indeed highly ſutable, that the *Hiſtory* of the *Royal* Experimenting *Society* ſhould be dedicated, as the Candid *Author* of it hath done, to that *King*, who is the *firſt* of all the Kings of *Europe*, that confirmed this Noble Deſign of *Experiments*, both by His own Example, and by a publick Eſtabliſhment.

The Diſcourſe it ſelf, which is modeſt and elegant, is divided by the Author into theſe three general Heads:

The *Firſt* gives a ſhort view of the *Ancient* and *Modern* Philoſophy; and of the moſt Famous Attempts that have been made for its *Advancement*, by the *Chaldeans*, *Egyptians*, *Grecians*, *Arabians*, *Romans*, of old; and then, by ſeveral *New waies* of *Philoſophy*, in the compaſs of our memories, and the Age before us, repreſenting what hath been attempted by the *Modern Dogmatiſts*, the *Revivers of ancient Sects*, the *late Experimenters*, the *Chymiſts*, and the *Writers* of *Particular Subjects*: All which he deduceth, to the end, that by obſerving, wherein others have *excelled*, and wherein they have been thought to *fail*, he